



Fall 2021

OLELO LAUNA

A Friendly Word

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Aloha Neighbors,
IT'S BEEN a decade since Royal Kunia Community Association (RKCA) last sent out a newsletter. With the advent of the internet, your Board shifted to having a website to disseminate updates and ensure pertinent information (governing documents, design application forms, use of Community Rec. Center and contact lists) about the community are accessible. At this juncture, the Newsletter Committee would like to write articles and upload the newsletter in the website. This is to ensure Homeowners/Residents receive accu-

rate information about our community.

Royal Kunia is a Master Planned Community envisioned to be developed in two (2) phases comprised of 4,000 units (Single Family and Multi Family Dwellings), three (3) golf courses, parks, a school, commercial and industrial spaces.

Phase I was started by Halekua Development in 1988 with the completion of Site 299 Neighborhood. Halekua Development partnered with Castle & Cooke to form Kunia Residential Partners (KRP) and resumed development in 1994. Phase I was completed in

2005. It's important to note that Halekua Development sold the parcels carved for the proposed golf courses to private entities before KRP was formed. As such, the parcels were excluded from the association's governing documents. Refer to *the Amended and Restated Declaration of Protective Covenants for Royal Kunia* in the website.

Phase II is currently owned by Haseko Royal Kunia (HRK). Since acquiring Phase II in 2020, HRK has been keeping RKCA informed with their develop-

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HEAR YE, HEAR YE

BY LINDA MAHELONA

On the 23rd of June, 2021, President Wayne Nakamoto of the Royal Kunia Community Association announced the 8th of September, 2021 as the Annual Meeting date. Registration is at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting being called to order promptly at 7:00 p.m. One of the most

important items to be covered will be filling the TWO OPENINGS on the board.

I can't express how important this meeting will be for the ROYAL KUNIA NEIGHBORHOOD. We need everyone to STAND UP AND BE COUNTED. How, you ask...

When you receive your proxy in the mail, **OPEN IT, READ IT, COMPLETE IT, RETURN IT.** Make sure you sign and date the completed proxy.

We need a QUORUM of residents either present or

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HEAD'S UP KUNIA!

- 2021 Annual Meeting Wednesday, September 8 Registration: 6:30pm
- The RKCA board meeting start time is now 6:00 pm. Call 688-9000 to confirm place and time of meeting.
- Royal Kunia is patrolled by special duty HPD, however, if any suspicious activity is seen—call 911!
- Covid Guidelines—No reservations are being taken for the use of the Community Center and Recreation Park until further notice.
- As a friendly reminder, no pets are allowed in the Rec Park except for ADA Compliant Service Animals.

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ment process. Updates are being uploaded in the association's website www.royalkuniacommunityassociation.org as they are provided from the developer. It will be exciting for the community to be the first to see HRK's plans and conceptual drawings for Phase II.

Due to the pandemic, the 2021 Annual Meeting was postponed. At this time, we are pleased to inform you this year's Annual Meeting has been cautiously set for Wednesday, September 8, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m. in the Community Rec. Center grounds. Two (2) Director seats are up for election. Please return your proxies, even if you have every intention to personally attend and vote.

Several of you are expressing your concerns about speeding, parking and loitering fronting the Community Rec. Center and Park, bicycling around Anonui and Anoiki Streets, and parking

on both sides of some streets, which make them almost impassable.

Since KRP successfully completed the dedication of Anoiki Street this past April 2021 to the City, a Traffic Calming Survey has been mailed to Homeowners. Please take the time to review and respond. Your input is important to support any request for change(s) with the City's roadways. We will try to address these issues. It won't happen fast, but improvement is our goal. You can help now by:

- obeying the speed limit, even slower on clogged streets
- watching for pedestrians and bicyclists
- calling 911 whenever you see or hear racers
- parking in your garage when possible
- not blocking sidewalks when parking

- getting rid of any excess vehicles

Mahalo to those of you who pick up trash as you walk the loop and the streets in your area. I know there are a lot of you unsung heroes out there doing more than your part to keep the neighborhood looking good.

Whenever you see street lights out, sprinkler heads broken, or graffiti, call the office at 688-9000 and report it with as much detail as possible so we can get it fixed.

I hope the rest of 2021 will be a very good year for you and our community. It will be a privilege to meet you at the Annual Meeting.

Warmest regards,

Wayne Nakamoto

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submitting their proxy paperwork. Without this we will be in the very same predicament as February 2020, i.e. no board election.

If you have not submitted your bio and want to serve on the board, nominations will be accepted at the Annual Meeting. You will have the chance to introduce yourself to the membership.

Neighbors, we need each other to make CHANGES. Let's come together with an open heart and mind and start NEW, without looking back to what was.

If you know me you know my mantra:
LET'S GET LOUD with respect.

VOLUNTEERS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Olelo Launa is YOUR newsletter. We are looking for people willing to contribute a few hours a month to help with the newsletter. If you would like to submit an article, photo, or publicize an event you think the community would be interested in, please contact 688-9000 or email at Admin@RoyalKuniaCommunityAssociation.org to make arrangements to submit your material.

Content of materials should be of general interest and be informative about events or developments affecting Royal Kunia Community Association. Articles may be edited for reasons such as length, grammar and propriety. Editing will not alter the meaning or intent of any contribution without prior consent from the submitter.

If we all pitch in, the time commitment will be minimal and we will create a newsletter with accurate, up to date information about our community.

This newsletter is made possible by our neighbors, Darlene Daniels (Site 299); Linda Mahelona (Site 13B); Diane Quick (Site 13A) and Kelli Uyeda (Site 6&7). Please thank the ladies for volunteering their time and desiring to contribute to make our community a much better place to call home. -WN

ROADWAY DEDICATION

DEDICATION of ROADWAYS in the Royal Kunia Subdivision is an ongoing process from the developer –Kunia Residential Partners (KRP) to the City & County of Honolulu. Dedicating roadways, which include sidewalks, planter strips, street trees and street lights, is a lengthy process that takes years to accomplish.

When the City & County of Honolulu takes ownership of the roadways, repair and maintenance are done by city crews. Roads, sidewalks, tree trimming and street light repairs are reported to the city.

Homeowners with planter strips adjacent to their Lots continue to be responsible for the maintenance of the planter strips. If a street tree(s) is/are planted by the developer, adjacent homeowners are responsible for the watering. Street trees that are compromised or removed without approval are subject to investigation and notice of violation by the City.

To date, roadways owned by KRP are

- Portion of Anonui -from the corner of Anoiki (by the Community Rec. Center) to Puia Street
- Portion of Keahua Loop (Site 12)
- Portion of Kapehu Street (Site 12)
- Kaloli Loop (Site 12)
- Kaloli Place (Site 12)
- Kakahi Street (Site 13)
- Kapukawai Street (Site 13)
- Portion of Kuoo Street (Site 13)
- Kuhao Street (Site 13)

Recent status change -Anoiki Street (from Kakahi to Anonui) was accepted by the City in April 2021.

Capital Improvement Project requests were submitted to Council Member Tulba

for the following:

1. Repaving of roadways in Sites 5 and 8. Uneven roads due to work performed by Board of Water Supply.
2. Retrofitting the street lighting in Sites 9 and 10 to LED
3. Replacement of (Site 299) wooden fencing at the dead end of Makoa Street
 - (1) The City has informed Board of Water Supply of the request for repaving. Council Member Tulba will continue to provide updates.
 - (2) There are 46 street lights that will be replaced with LED street lights by the Department of Facility Maintenance (DFM). The retrofitting is projected to be completed by the end of 2021.
 - (3) Ownership of the wooden fencing is under review to determine jurisdiction for maintenance.

TOUR DE KUNIA? BY DIANE QUICK

No, the Tour de France has not relocated to our little corner of Oahu, even though it may feel that way at times! Local bicyclists have discovered that the Anonui/Anoiki loop is a great place to ride. Arthur, a frequent rider in the neighborhood who did not give his last name, said that many people enjoy biking in Royal Kunia because the light traffic makes it safer than other areas.

Having so many cyclists in the neighborhood has some residents concerned. Several have asked questions regarding the bikers safety and bike riding laws and etiquette: can a biker ride in the middle of the road? Are they required to follow road rules as vehicles do?

Other residents have shared experiences that show a lack of aloha on the part of few of the bikers. *(Continued on page 4)*





Is there something you would like to see addressed in a future newsletter? Please let us know—the RKCA Newsletter Committee welcomes your feedback! Please submit comments and suggestions to Admin@RoyalKuniaCommunityAssociation.org

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To address some of these concerns, the RKCA Board invited Malia Harunaga to speak at the board meeting on June 9, 2021.

Ms. Harunaga is the Director of Adult Education at the [Hawaii Bicycling League](#). She gave a short presentation on the [rules](#)

of the road for both drivers and bikers. Residents at the meeting had the opportunity to share their concerns with Ms. Harunaga. She said she would do her best to pass along the neighborhood's concerns to the biking groups who ride in Royal Kunia.

Ms. Harunaga's presentation was a first step toward opening up a dialogue

between the RK residents and the local bikers. Mrs. Harunaga was able to share some of the issues mentioned at the board meeting with several biking organizations that ride in Royal Kunia.

What's Your Opinion?

By KELLI UYEDA

Did you already complete your "Traffic Calming" survey? Community input is needed to move forward to address the speeding and safety concerns that numerous residents have expressed.

Director Waters (RKCA) will share the opinion of the majority of respondents with the Department of Transportation, so be sure to make your opinion is heard! Results of the survey will be shared

with residents at the September 8th Annual Meeting.

You should have received it by July 30, 2021. If you haven't received your survey, or if you aren't able to locate it, you can find a link on www.royalkuniacommunityassociation.org

DESIGN & COVENANTS CORNER

Q and A

Question: I own a property in Royal Kunia. Why do I need to get approval from the Design Committee to do things on my property, like painting my house or replacing my roof? What gives the community association the right to make rules that I have to follow?

It's my property that I own. Why do I need to get approval or follow someone else's rules?

Answer: Royal Kunia is a deed restricted community. That means that before Kunia Residential Partners even began building the houses at Royal Kunia, Covenants, Conditions & Restrictions (CC&Rs) were recorded in the land records. The CC&Rs govern and regulate the use, maintenance and appearance of the Lots. When they sold the Lots and houses, the new owners were subject to the protective covenants that

were set by the developer.

When all of us purchased a property in Royal Kunia, we all automatically agreed to accept and follow the protective covenants that are running with the land. The Royal Kunia Community Association, with the Board of Directors at its head, was informed to enforce the protective covenants within Royal Kunia. To see the Amended and Restated Declaration of Protective Covenants for Royal Kunia, go to the Association's Website: www.royalkuniacommunityassociation.org and click on the [Covenants](#) link on the left-hand side. Each neighborhood has unique features. To determine if your Lot has additional restrictive covenants, please call the association's office at 688-9000.

Although living with restrictive covenants can be frustrating at times, the

annoyance is worth it. Even 33 years after the first delivery of homes in our community, Royal Kunia has maintained its classy, distinctive look. We don't have to worry that neighbors will paint their houses a bright color or collect discarded cars in their front yards. It is partly due to this that our homes have continued to increase in value over the years. People buying a house in Royal Kunia can be assured that the protective covenants will help protect their investment.

Design Application forms are available in the website, click on the [Design](#) link.

NEIGHBORHOOD SECURITY WATCH

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The goals of the NSW program are to:

- A. Educate the public about area crime problems and ways to improve residential security;
- B. Implement coordinated, community-based programs to increase awareness and concern for the protection of homes within a given community;
- C. Identify and develop effective measures for the prevention, deterrence, and reduction of specific crimes; and
- D. Strengthen police-community relations.

SITES 8, 9 & 13 ARE IN THE NSW PROGRAM



HOW TO GET STARTED

Individuals representing their respective communities may write or call the police district that they live in to request information on how to start an NSW program. An information packet containing flyers, pamphlets, and brochures explaining the concept and mechanics of the program will be sent to the person. After reading the materials, the individual will be asked to take the following steps:

- A. Discuss the contents of the packet with neighbors and determine their interest in the program.
- B. Call the police district and ask for an officer to conduct an NSW presentation. A minimum of 25 attendees is preferred.
- C. At this presentation, the following information will be given:
 1. Literature relating to burglaries, home security, and personal safety.
 2. A brief description of property crime; and
 3. The benefits and goals of the NSW program and how to start one in your community.
- D. At the conclusion of the meeting and after the officer has left, the group will remain to discuss starting a program and to select a coordinator and one or more block captains.

STREET SIGNS

The NSW sign is a street sign with the same logo and design as the NSW decal. Its purpose is to inform everyone in the community, including criminals, that your neighborhood is involved in this effort. The program must have a 60 percent participation rate within the geographical area to merit this sign.

Requests for the installation of signs are made through the respective police districts. Installation of the signs are done by the Department of Transportation Services, City and County of Honolulu.

Remember, decals and street signs alone are not enough to reduce crime in your neighborhood. The most important components of a successful NSW program are education and active participation!

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Abandoned Vehicles: 768-2530

Animal Complaints: Humane Society @ 946-2187

Board of Water Supply: 748-5000 Building Dept. (Permits): 768-8220

Bus Schedules/Routes: 848-5555 Crime Stoppers: 955-8300

Domestic Violence Hotline: 841-0822 Dept. of Health: 586-4400

Hawaiian Electric Co: 548-7311 Poison Control Center: 1-800-222-1222

Police (Pearl City Station): 723-8800 HPD Community Police Team: 723-8805

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Go to www.Royalkuniacommunityassociation.org for a complete listing of important contacts

A big MAHALO to all those who call in broken sprinkler heads, leaking water valves, burned out lights, and everything else that you report. Your efforts go a long way to make our community safer, brighter, cleaner and a great place to live.



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